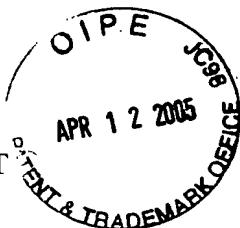


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**AMENDMENT**

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SIR:

In response to the Notice of Allowance dated January 12, 2005, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on  
page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.